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| Interview Summary | Application No. 09/934,680 | Applicant(s) MCBRANCH ET AL. | |
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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Frank W Lu. (3) _____.

(2) CHRISTOPHER W. RAIMUND (4) _____.

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Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☒ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☒ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☐ No.
If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1-13.

Identification of prior art discussed: Heller (US patent NO. 5,849,489)

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Mr. Raimund and Mr. Lu discuss the difference between

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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Heller's reference and claimed invention. Mr. Raimund will amend the claims by adding some structural and functional languages. Mr. Raimund also will submit 1.132 declaration to explain the differences between Heller's reference and claimed invention.

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